



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FOR THE FORMER CASTROL FACILITY SITE 1935 NORTH MARIANNA AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90032

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: January 3, 2005 - February 2, 2005

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Former Castrol Facility Site located at 1935 North Marianna Avenue, Los Angeles, California. Castrol Industrial North America (CINA) proposes removal and offsite disposal of approximately 800 cubic yards (1200 tons) of soil from the site and transporting it to a permitted off-site disposal facility in approximately 60 trucks. During past investigations, gasoline, diesel, benzene, Freon 113, and other volatile organic compounds at very low concentrations were found in soil gas and soil samples at the Site. The concentrations of benzene detected, that are required to be removed, exceeded DTSC's health risk levels for an industrial/commercial site.

DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This project is considered exempt since it will not have a negative impact on human health and the environment because of the relatively short duration and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be excavated, loaded onto trucks and taken off-site for disposal.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

This is your opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC about the proposed cleanup during the thirty (30) day public comment period that starts on January 3 and ends on February 2, 2005. Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft RAW may be submitted in writing to Ms. Rita Kamat, Project Supervisor at the DTSC address listed below, and must be postmarked by February 2, 2005.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Copies of the draft RAW and other project documents are available at: Los Angeles Public Library, City Terrace Branch, 4025 City Terrace Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90063, phone: (323) 261-0295; and California State University Los Angeles Library, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90032, phone: (323) 343-3994. Also, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201, contact: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact, Ms. Rita Kamat, Project Supervisor at (818) 551-2831, email: rkamat@dtsc.ca.gov or Ms. Maya Akula, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (818) 551-2917, email: Maakula@dtsc.ca.gov. For information about DTSC, please visit our website: www.dtsc.ca.gov

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You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Maya Akula at (818) 551-2917.